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WHOLE NO. 778

## New President For Monterey Laborers Union

Kenneth Holt has been named president of Laborers Union 690 of Monterey to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Perry Luce, veteran official, according to Secretary George E. Jenkins.

Local 690 will have its September meeting on Wednesday evening of this week, the meeting postponed from Sept. 9 because of the Admission Day holiday.

Members of the union were urged by Jenkins to call at the union office to pick up copies of new booklets explaining all details of the new Laborers Health and Welfare Plan, effective a few weeks ago. Enough copies of the booklets are available for all members.

Pickets of Local 690 were placed before a job being worked by Contractor Cecil Coleman of Pacific Grove last week. Jenkins reported that the action was taken because Coleman had refused to contribute to the union's health and welfare plan. The general contractor on the job, where Coleman was a subcontractor, continued operations after a settlement with the union, using a union contractor, Jenkins said.

Plans for a barbecue outing of the Laborers Union in Monterey this summer were dropped last week and arrangements were started for a Christmas Party for children of members. The Christmas party will be conducted along lines of the recent Easter Party held by the union. Details will be announced later.

Louis Casati, prominent member and delegate of Local 690, was reported seriously ill, although showing slight improvement in recent days. He is unable to work, however.

## Jenkins, Grisin Are New Fathers

Two well known Monterey union officials became fathers shortly before Labor Day.

George E. Jenkins, secretary of Laborers Union 690, became father of a baby boy weighing 7 pounds 13½ ounces, born at Peninsula Community Hospital. The new arrival has been named George Edward Jr.

John Grisin, secretary-business agent of Plumbers Union 62, became father of a baby girl weighing 9 pounds 4½ ounces, born at a Monterey hospital. The daughter has been named Gloria.

Both fathers report that they are recovering. The wives are at home by now and mothers and babies are reported fine.

What do you read? Most of it is anti-union. Read the labor press—it's your best friend.



MARTIN P. DURKIN

## LLPE Donations More Important Now Says Grisin

Increased importance of making donations to the Labor League for Political Education (LLPE), political arms of the American Federation of Labor, was pointed out last week by John Grisin, secretary of Monterey Plumbers Union 62.

Grisin referred to the resignation of Martin P. Durkin, international president of the Plumbers, as Secretary of Labor, who resigned because of failure of the Eisenhower Administration to carry out campaign pledges to change the Taft-Hartley Act.

He said he has urged all members of his own union to subscribe 100 per cent to the LLPE and advocates that all union officers do everything possible to support the LLPE.

## Cannery Row Hums a Little

Considerable activity was reported on Monterey's Cannery Row last week, although no catches of sardines are reported this season.

Union officials said mackerel was packed at five plants—Hovden, San Xavier, California Pack, Oxnard and Peninsula; anchovies shipped in from the south were packed at the Hovden plant, and local albacore was packed at Peninsula Pack and Oxnard plants.

## CARP. COUNCIL MEETS IN K.C.

Regular meeting of the Monterey Bay District Council of Carpenters was held in King City on Tuesday night of last week.

Business was chiefly routine, although International Representative Joseph Cambiano was a visitor. He spoke briefly on union matters.

Next session is scheduled Tuesday night, October 13, at Carpenters Hall in Monterey, with Local 1323 as host. Thomas Eide, council president, is business agent of Local 1323.

## Labor Day Party Is Big Success

Some 2700 union carpenters, their wives, families and friends joined on Labor Day to make the special party of Carpenters Union 1323 of Monterey a huge success. Bus. Agt. Tom Eide reported this week.

There was an excellent dinner, plus various entertainment features, he explained.

## Card Party Set

The Ladies Auxiliary of Monterey Carpenters Union 1323 will have a card party this Saturday night at Carpenters Hall, 778 Hawthorne St., it was announced last week. All union people are urged to attend and take part in games and festivity.

Secy.—Mrs. William Pilliar.

Treas.—Mrs. Donald Halcomb.

Warden—Mrs. E. S. Kelley.

Conductress—Mrs. Edward Francis Jr.

Trustees—Mrs. Gus Nelson, Mrs. Mark Pilliar, Mrs. C. A. Jackson.

Publicity—Mrs. Virgil Franssen.

Publicity Asst.—Mrs. Hector Siler.

The Salinas Auxiliary meets two times monthly, on the second Tuesdays for business and on the fourth Tuesdays for socials.

## Durkin Quits In Protest On T-H Stall

Secy. of Labor Martin P. Durkin resigned last Friday, charging the administration had failed to give him assurances on badly-needed revisions in the union-strangling Taft-Hartley law. The move came as a deep shock to the big-business administration and widened the breach between it and U.S. labor. AFL Pres. Meany said Durkin is accustomed to keeping his agreement, a tradition with the labor movement, and "he resigned because he could not continue serving on a team where agreements are not kept." Durkin will return to head the AFL Plumbers Union. His move is certain to be applauded at next week's AFL convention in St. Louis.

## Salinas Xmas Party Future Decisions Due

A prominent item of business for the Monterey County Central Labor Council at Salinas this Friday will be decisions regarding the future of the annual Children's Christmas Parties in Salinas, Council Secretary A. J. Clark said.

The late Randolph Fenchel, prominent leader of Laborers Union 272, was general chairman of the annual Christmas parties and was chief promoter.

An order for toys for this year's party has been placed, pending confirmation by the council. Other arrangements are to be started at once.

Because of details to be worked out to make the party possible this year, the entire subject matter has been referred to an order of business at this week's council session.

Business handled by the council at its Sept. 4 session included:

Report that Culinary-Bartenders Union 355 has voted to take part in the labor council scholarship program.

Report by Electrical Workers Union 243 that Business Manager Dial Miles now is representing the union only half of the time, devoting the remainder of his time to serving the county Building Trades Council as secretary and business agent.

Adoption of a resolution submitted by Local 355, calling for reduction of taxes on liquor and beer.

Suggestion by Council Past President R. A. Wood that a study be made at once into labor background of possible candidates for Governor of California since Earl Warren has announced he will not run.

## Greco Leaves For Vacation

Peter A. Greco, business manager for Painters Union 1104 of Salinas, left last week for an extended vacation trip to points outside California.

Greco said he had big plans for his vacation but did not give his itinerary. During his absence, affairs of Local 1104 are being handled by Dial H. Miles, secretary-business agent of the county Building Trades Council.

There's a new union of dollars in Washington. How's your union, brother?

## CULINARY-BAR HELP NEEDED AT MONTEREY

Experienced culinary workers and bartenders are badly needed in Monterey, according to Hotel & Restaurant Employees Union 483 of the Monterey Peninsula.

Robert Armstrong, union secretary, said the union is unable to supply all calls for experienced waitresses, cooks and bartenders.

Persons wishing good jobs in the area and qualified for union membership should contact the union at 315 Alvarado St., Monterey, Armstrong said.

## Unions Hear Of Army Work

Officials of several building unions gathered at the Salinas Labor Temple last week to meet with a Major Leap of the U. S. Army in regard coming minor construction work at Camp Hunter Liggett, in the southern part of the county.

Present were Dial H. Miles, secretary-business agent of the county Building Trades Council; Wray D. Empe, business agent of Laborers Union 272 of Salinas; George E. Jenkins, secretary, and Leslie Estes, business agent, both of Monterey Laborers Union 690; Milt Isaacson, secretary of Monterey Painters Union 272, and others.

## Illness Continues But Empe on Job

Despite a recurrence of his illness, Wray D. ("Bill") Empe, business agent of Salinas Laborers Union 272, is continuing on his job to serve the union.

Last week, after attending an important meeting of union officials, Empe became ill again. He is staying at his work as much as possible, however, assisted by Union President Carl Jones, Secretary John Mattos and Office Secretary Lillian Johnson.

## Arbuckle Still Seriously Ill

E. R. Arbuckle, business manager of Salinas Plumbers Union 503, continued seriously ill last weekend at a San Jose hospital. Details were not reported. He has been ill for several weeks.

During his illness, Office Secretary Mildred Putman has been reinstated to full time and is handling all union affairs at the union headquarters in the Salinas Labor Temple.

## Ladies Auxiliary Of Salinas Carps. Elects Officers

Ladies Auxiliary 373 of Salinas Carpenters Union 925 has completed election of officers for the coming term. Next meeting of the unit is Tuesday night, Sept. 22, at which time work will be continued on the aprons now being sewed, the meeting to be at the home of Mrs. Edward Francis Jr., 9 Trevi-thal Street.

Mrs. Virgil Franssen, publicity chairman, sends the following report:

A business meeting was conducted by Mrs. Frank Wenzinger,

Auxiliary president, at the Carpenters Hall on Tuesday-evening, Sept. 8.

Projects being finished this year are: Scrapbooks to be presented to children at Ashton School, and the "Apron and Food" sale to be held shortly.

A membership drive is on now and all mothers, sisters and wives of carpenters are welcome to attend.

Officers elected recently are: Pres.—Mrs. Frank Wenzinger. Vice Pres.—Mrs. Edward Francis Sr.



# SALINAS—Home of California Rodeo

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## UMW Hopes for Labor Unity 1 Year From Now

Washington (LPA)—The United Mine Workers "express the fervent hope that a year hence will see the labor movement of this country united and working as one for the economic, social and political welfare of the people," declared the UMW's Labor Day message.

Such unity will not be realized, the message said, "unless the membership of the trade unions rise up and insist on the leadership of their unions consummating organic unity without 'conferencing' the matter to death."

## NO QUARTER

"There are three kinds of marriage—trial, companionate, and fight-to-the-finish."

## Give



## Labor Protests Anti-Union Move By VFW Post

St. Louis (LPA)—An anti-union move by a Veterans of Foreign Wars post was exposed before the St. Louis Central Trades and Labor Union, which protested to the national and state offices of the VFW as well as calling for action by the State Federation of Labor.

Letters sent out by the Reynolds County Post of the VFW from Ellington, a town in the "boot-heel" country of Missouri close to the Arkansas border, in seeking to bring in a manufacturing plant, said: "We do not have unions, therefore, City Officials do not anticipate any labor trouble, but should such occur, full cooperation would be given."

The letter was signed by Donald Howard, "Post Commander & Chevrolet Dealer," together with other leaders who included the "Mayor & Insurance Agent," "President of Lions Club & Merchant" and cashier of the town's bank.

CTLU delegates adopted a resolution condemning the action of the VFW post in attempting to lure a St. Louis hat manufacturer under contract with the AFL Hatters into moving to Ellington.

The resolution was introduced by Isadore Drucker, regional manager and vice president of the United Hatters, Cap & Millinery Workers who charged the letter had been widely circulated among employers in the greater St. Louis area.

Condemning the Reynold County Post's action, he said: "I view a thing like this very seriously. I don't believe the VFW was formed to do union busting. Too many of our own members are in the VFW, and an even greater number from the labor movement as a whole. Surely, it's not asking too much that a patriotic organization should also have ideals of democracy."

## More Veterans Buying Homes With State Aid

During the last fiscal year the number of California veterans who financed homes through the state's "Cal-Vet" program rose 17 per cent.

In the annual period ending last June 30th, 9,323 California veterans of two world wars and the Korean conflict took advantage of the low interest financing plan in order to become home owners.

A total of 40,256 veterans in 56 of California's 58 counties were financing their homes under the low interest Cal-Vet plan at the end of the fiscal year. An increase in Cal-Vet properties was noted in nearly every county.

## TIRE MILEAGE

Motorists who do not consider their tire mileage satisfactory are advised to check their driving habits. It is an established fact that fast starts and fast stops are responsible to a very great extent for excessive tire wear. Fast driving and negotiating curves at high speed also burn rubber off tires at a rapid rate.

## AFL Top Council Suspends Dockers Until They Clean Up

Chicago (LPA)—Suspension of the International Longshoremen's Association from the AFL, viewed as a possible prelude to outright expulsion, was voted by the AFL Executive Council. A spokesman explained it was "traditional" to suspend a union before expelling.

The suspension, to continue until the ILA can satisfy the Executive Council that it has fully complied with a cleanup demand, was voted in the form of a recommendation to the coming AFL convention as "the milder of the two steps we could have taken," President George Meany said. The Council, he said, decided to give the Longshoremen's leaders "a little more time to do the things they say they are trying to do."

ILA President Joseph P. Ryan and the rest of the union's 20-man executive council had appeared before the AFL top command the day previous and Ryan later said "we are carrying out our anti-racketeering program as best we can and as the weeks go on we will do better." But, as was the case in the ILA's reply last May, the Council remained unconvinced.

Notifying ILA of the suspension move, the Council in a letter signed by Meany pointed out that last Feb. 3 it had demanded the removal of

"union representatives with criminal records and those who accepted gifts and bribes from employers."

"We called upon you to immediately take such remedial action as necessary to place the ILA and its local unions above suspicion and completely free of all racketeering, crime, corruption and other irregular activities disclosed by the recent investigation," the letter said.

"Since we do not regard your supplemental report of July 27, nor the representations made by you verbally at the hearing on the morning of Aug. 10 as taking effective action to comply with our request, you are officially notified that the Executive Council will recommend to the 72d annual convention that the ILA be suspended from affiliation until such time as the Executive Council is satisfied that the ILA has taken the necessary action to comply in good faith with our request of Feb. 3."

Following the ILA leaders' appearance, a subcommittee consisting of Presidents George Harrison, Railway Clerks; Dan W. Tracy, Electrical Workers, and Charles J. MacGowan, Boilermakers & Blacksmiths, was named to recommend the next step. Ryan said he had received a "fair" and "generous" hearing.

Suspension, which undoubtedly will be ratified by the convention, would deprive the ILA of any vote in AFL affairs and remove the rights and protection afforded member unions. However, it was pointed out, the Longshoremen still would be AFL members when the convention opens in St. Louis Sept. 21 and presumably could plead their case before the delegates.

## Proving That The Labor Press Gets Around

Chicago (LPA)—Good labor news gets around—even around the world—proving that the labor press has a wider circulation than is generally realized.

Earlier in the summer, Labor Press Associated told in the story, used by virtually all its subscribers, of an AFL Electrical Workers local winning an agreement which provided for a year's paid vacation after 10 years employment at Hedco Manufacturing Corp. There followed phone calls—the phonograph and radio firm was "swamped" with them—from people working at other plants in the area who wanted to join Hedco's staff.

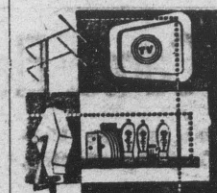
Then came letters, and not only from the U.S.—job applications were still coming in September from as far away as Israel and The Netherlands. And this city's post-office was delivering without hesitations letters bearing such addresses as "Gramophone Works, 10 Years Working & 1 Year Holiday, Chicago, Ill."

Hedco's president had hailed the agreement as cutting down and probably eliminating, turnover of employees and the necessity of constantly breaking in new workers. Now, thanks to the labor press, the firm has won international fame.

## Low N.Y. Retail Pay

New York—New minimum wage rates ranging from 65c to 75c an hour have been recommended to State Industrial Commissioner Edward Corsi by New York's retail trade industry.

The State Dept. of Labor estimated that 35,000 to 40,000 retail workers now receive less than the proposed minimum.



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**NO BETTER PRIZE**—Almost every union local has a picnic, but no one could have enjoyed the one he attended any more than these three girls who won real live puppies at the outing of AFL Teamsters Local 358 in Portland, Ore. Local Secretary Walt Wagner poses with the tickled winners. (LPA)

## State Fed. Asks Eisenhower to Implement 4 Convention Actions

(State Fed. Release)

C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of the California State Federation of Labor, this week called upon President Eisenhower to give favorable consideration to four recently adopted State AFL resolutions urging the President to (1) recall his appointment of James F. Byrnes to the United Nations, (2) adopt the proposals of the national AFL for seizing the initiative in the cold war, (3) oppose "McCarthyism," and (4) support the ratification of the UN convention against genocide.

In forwarding the resolutions to President Eisenhower, the state AFL leader pointed out in a covering letter that "the resolutions received the unanimous consent of over 2,000 delegates representing better than 1,250,000 workers in California," and that they are being sent to him for his "information and assistance in making them effective."

With regard to the appointment of James F. Byrnes as United States delegate to the United Nations, Haggerty noted that the former member of the U.S. Supreme Court and one-time Secretary of State "has been throughout his life, a leading proponent of racial discrimination and has consistently opposed many fundamental programs fostered by labor in the interests of extending democracy to all people in every walk of life."

"His complete lack of concern for the implementation of democratic principles renders him totally unqualified to represent the world's greatest democracy in international councils," said Haggerty.

Among the other resolutions forwarded to the President, the one calling for seizing the initiative in the cold war urged Eisenhower to press for: immediate negotiations for free elections in a united Germany; establishment of free political parties and free trade unions; immediate liberation of German workers imprisoned by Soviet occupation authorities for the resistance on June 17; and for submission of a formal complaint to the United Nations against Russia's violation of human rights and freedom in East Germany.

The resolution opposing "McCarthyism" declared that the smear tactics of the Senator from Wisconsin were slowly but surely eating away at our treasured civil liberties and that the "ism" should be eradicated. "As President of the United States and leader of the party with which the Senator is identified," Haggerty wrote the President in the covering letter, "your leadership in this effort is essential to the preservation of democracy in America."

With regard to ratification of the UN Genocide Convention, it was pointed out that the wanton slaughter of entire nations, racial, religious, or cultural groups is the most terrible of crimes. United States ratification of the convention, along with the 41 nations that have already ratified it, is essential to wipe out this most terrible of crimes.

## HIGH INTEREST CURBS HOME BUYING BY VETS

The higher interest allowed since last May on GI loans hasn't helped veterans buy more homes, figures released by the Veterans' Administration showed.

At the same time a Federal Reserve Board survey showed that twice as many World War II veterans with families had planned to buy homes this year than bought homes in 1952.

### FIGURES SHOW DROP

The boost from 4 percent to 4½ percent interest was hailed by many money-lenders and government officials as one which would give ex-servicemen a better chance to get government-insured loans. They said lenders weren't anxious to put up money for veterans' home loans because the return was so small.

Since then, the number of veterans' home-loan applications approved by the VA hasn't increased. These approvals are used by the VA as one gauge indicating the availability of money for GI loans.

Figures for July show the number of applications approved actually dropped slightly from April, the month immediately before the interest increase.

### INVESTING FOR INCOME

In April, 26,000 applications were approved; in July, only 25,453. May saw about 24,000 approved and June about 26,000.

T. B. King, director of the VA's loan guaranty service, said the primary cause for the dip has been the demand for money for other types of investments which bring in higher interest rates.

The FRB survey showed that one veteran family in 10 was looking forward to buying a new home this year, compared with about one in 20 nonveteran families.

Of all World War II veterans with families, 46 percent owned their homes early in 1953, the survey showed.

## Dentists Tee Off On the Latest Miracle Toothpaste

Chicago (LPA)—Don't fall for the hoopla about the new "antienzyme" toothpaste, advises the American Dental Association. An editorial in its Journal says "there is no acceptable evidence" that this preparation will prevent tooth decay.

Such claims, says the Journal, are unwarranted on the basis of present research, adding that no dentifrice ever put on the market did anything more than help the toothbrush clean the surface of teeth. "In view of the long and unhappy history of miracle dentifrices, it is predicted that the current nationwide promotional campaign will cause little more than a ripple on the sea of superlatives."

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## Local 890

General Teamsters, Warehousemen and Helpers' Union

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We would like to devote this week's column to a very important function of this union, "THE UNITED CRUSADE," and the various agencies it represents since working people are in most cases the recipients. We are getting committees on every one of our union jobs to take part in the drive this year. The American Federation of Labor advocates a day's pay is small enough amount to contribute to these agencies. However, in view of the off season we have had this year, we recommend that if each member will donate two hours pay it will be sufficient to put this drive over the top. The following is an outline of where your money will go. You may earmark your contributions for any of the agencies you choose.

### COMMUNITY CHEST AGENCIES

**Boy Scouts of America**—Salinas-Alisal District—40 Scout Units offering 1200 boys the opportunity to be a Scout.

**Y.M.C.A.**—Salinas-Alisal—105 Groups—4439 persons served. Purpose: The Y.M.C.A. is in its essential genius a world-wide fellowship of men and boys, girls and women, loyal to the principles of Jesus Christ, dedicated to the development of Christian Character and the building of Christian Society.

**Girls' Activities Council**—Salinas Area—Girl Scouts and Camp Fire Girls. Serving girls in Salinas, Alisal, Spreckels, Castroville, Moss Landing and adjacent Rural Areas. In 1953 they served 1005 girls. A new club house is being constructed in Alisal.

**C.Y.O.** (Catholic Youth Organization)—Serves about 1400 young people. The C.Y.O. is dedicated to provide social, cultural, educational and athletic guidance for youth. Its aim is to contribute to the development of youth in all phases of their environment not within the orbit of home or school.

**Rescue Mission**—This organization takes care of the transients coming into our community who need a bed and a meal. It is a clean, well-managed place where the deserving can find much needed assistance.

**Salvation Army**—Gives assistance to families needing an emergency grocery order, medicine or other help. Booth Memorial Home for Unwed Mothers. Youth Services and Activities.

**St. Vincent de Paul**—Purpose: To aid the needy of the community regardless of race, color or creed.

**American Cancer Society**—85 percent of the funds raised in California last year were used in Cancer control projects in California. 34 percent of the total was spent on research projects. Cancer is the number two killer in the U. S. today. Cancer is curable when treated early.

**Monterey County Heart Association**. Every minute one person dies of heart disease. Last year 6693 young people in Monterey County received free X-rays due to the

money contributed by the Heart Association. The purpose was to discover any suspicious heart cases so that the young person could have proper treatment and continue to lead a useful life.

**United Defense Fund—U.S.O.**—258 U.S.O. units in this country and 19 overseas maintained by your dollars contributed to U.D.F.

## Proud of Union Membership Dating From 1891

West, Tex. (LPA)—One of the oldest members of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, both in age and in length of good standing, is the Rev. William Daniel Bowen of this town, who has just published his autobiography.

"This writer is proud of his certificate of membership in Lone Star Division, Number 19, dated March 17, 1891," he said in the book. "I am still in good standing at 80, and mean to be when I pass on to the Great Beyond."

The paper-bound volume, "What Hath God Wrought," tells the story of Bowen's many years as preacher and missionary in Texas, and of his earlier years as a telegrapher. His stepfather was a section foreman on the Texas & Pacific Railroad and the boy learned telegraphy even before he reached his teens. A strapping youngster at 13, he got a job at the little town of Roanoke, Tex., as night operator.

"We worked 12 hours a day, 7 days a week," he wrote. "The Order of Railroad Telegraphers was in its beginnings then. We used a secret code to identify our members. Many of the railroads would fire a man if they found him to be a member."

"Now that is reversed, for the railroads know these O.R.T. men and women are dependable. The day of the boomer operator, then in vogue, has gone forever. The roads want 'stayers' not 'goers.'"

Bowen began preaching while still a telegrapher. Later he devoted his career to the church. His autobiography tells of his role in building up the influence of the church in Texas. Now, he has "retired but not quit." He's still a great booster of the AFL union.

The boss dearly hopes you will neglect your union!

## Catastrophy Sickness? "Leave it to Charity"

Chicago, (LPA)—There's no need to let extended or chronic illness mean catastrophic financial loss, according to Dr. Edward J. McCormick, president of the American Medical Association. He has the solution: charity.

The "isolated" cases where persons use up their savings and sell their homes "need never occur," he said. "Mostly they occur from ignorance of the fact that help is available and where to find it." What is needed, he said, is more organizations such as Chicago's community referral service to advise such families where medical aid can be had.

That was Dr. McCormick's comment on the speech before the American Hospital Association at San Francisco by Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare. She had called on the doctors to present a plan that would protect the average American family from the financial loss of catastrophic illness. She said that this group today is "frankly and ardently in favor of socialized medicine." (Horrors!)

"The American Medical Association has been working on this problem for years and we think it's being solved," said Dr. McCormick. "Certainly there is no need for government action."

Mrs. Hobby had made the point that the rich and poor get adequate medical care, but the middle-income family does not.

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## Lip Service Not Enough

President Eisenhower, in dedicating a New York slum clearance project built with federal aid, said that families with a proper and decent standard of living constitute a better defense against Communism than "any bomb of whatever kind," and that nobody could see persons living in hovels without helping them "through official channels of appropriations." He is right.

But the President's remarks would have sounded much prettier if, less than a month previously, he had not approved liquidation of public housing by June 30, 1954. The approval came when he OK'd legislation to build only 20,000 low-rent units between now and that date, with the provision that the housing must be taken from a backlog of 62,000 already under contract with the remaining 42,000 left to an uncertain fate.

A further provision stipulated that no new contracts for public housing may be entered into between the Federal government and local communities.

The President's record on public housing cannot be considered good merely on the basis of lip service. If he cannot prevail on a Congress controlled by his own party to carry out his own recommendations, the President must assume a share of the responsibility for failure.

## 'Wetbacks' and 'Economy'

Herbert Brownell Jr., Attorney General, is disturbed about the illegal yearly flow into the U.S. of hundreds of thousands of Mexican workers—known as "wetbacks" because many of them wade across the Rio Grande River border.

Most of his disturbance concerns their exploitation by racketeers and other lawless elements.

We wish Brownell were as deeply disturbed by the fact that the "wetbacks" have replaced American farm workers at starvation wages on the farms of the West and Southwest.

The Attorney General says that the border patrol "has been completely overwhelmed" in its efforts to stem the tide of illegal Mexican immigrants. He says the patrols are doing a "splendid job for the manpower and facilities that are available."

He failed to point out that the reason more manpower and facilities are not available is because his Administration cut the border patrol's budget by \$1.8 million below the recommendations made by former President Truman, and that Congress went along with the President's request.

## Who Gets the Food Dollar?

Further proof that the middleman is getting the big "rake-off" in the food business is shown by the latest government figures.

While the price of groceries that the housewife buys increased 1.4 per cent between May 15 and June 15, the farmer's share of each dollar that she spent for food in June plunged to 44 cents.

Consumers pay more, farmers get less—and the middleman takes a bigger bite than ever out of both. The economic threat in this situation is obvious. Already the International Harvester Co. has cut its tractor production because farmers don't have the money to buy new ones. That means fewer jobs.

A decrease in the purchasing power of farm families has preceded every depression and recession America has had.



## and SOCIAL SECURITY

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Your nearest Social Security office is the place to go. The people there stand ready to advise you as to what you should do, and when. The information is free.

If you are now receiving benefits, or have applied for them, there are several additional facts of which you should be aware. Your first check may be delayed somewhat because of the thousands now being processed in Social Security offices throughout the country. When you receive it, it may well include payments for more than one month. Thereafter, your monthly check should arrive early each month and will be payment of the preceding month's benefit.

If you change your address, notify your social security office promptly. This will help assure your receiving your checks on time. If you earn more than \$75 in any month working for someone else, report it at once. Also, tell the Social Security office if you're averaging more than \$75 each month in self-employment earnings. Here again, prompt reporting may well save you time and money at a later date.

The Social Security Office nearest you is located at the address below.

By WM. G. KENYON, Secy.  
Monterey County Teamsters,  
Local 890

## Rice Spray Kills Skeeters

Extensive spraying of California rice fields this spring to control the leaf miner also killed mosquitoes. The dieldrin sprays also killed gnats and flies and many of the mosquitoes were of species which transmit encephalitis and malaria.

## Honeymoon Can Wait, Gotta Vote

Miami, Fla. (LPA)—The union rated ahead of the start of a honeymoon for Sally Alonzo. After she married Louis Backola she kept him waiting in a taxicab while she voted in the election of officers of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees. Then they went off on their honeymoon.



Washington, D. C.

## While Real Estate Boys Gloat . . .

One of the best kept secrets in the nation is the manner in which the rent control program in critical defense areas has been quietly killed. In 17 major defense areas where the housing situation is super critical, rent controls exist in theory . . . but little else. There is not one single solitary field officer with any authority in the field. And the entire staff here in Washington, under the jurisdiction of Arthur Flemming, consists of exactly five persons. These five persons are supposed to be handling rent control for millions of families in critical defense areas.

## Double Talk on the Potomac:

Attorney General Herbert Brownell has announced the selection of a committee to study the antitrust laws. Brownell also announced that the Justice Department has dropped the 8-year-old antitrust suit against the cement industry. In addition, the Justice Department has recently dropped the criminal charges against five major oil companies and reduced the whole case to a piddling civil suit. In view of these performances, it seems likely that any study of antitrust law made under Brownell will be in the nature of a post mortem.

## Air Defense Through Lung Power:

Admiral Arthur Radford, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, warns that the Russian possession of the H-bomb makes it necessary for us to strengthen our Air Defenses. Meanwhile, the Defense Department is making drastic reductions in the Air Force. Secretary Charles Wilson reduced the number of planes and 12,800 men are quietly being released from the Air Force Training Command. In addition, 10,500 Air Force reserve officers now in service will be dismissed in 60 days.

## JOKES. Etc.

## The Bare Facts

"Now don't scold," said the wife "because I didn't sew up the rip in the seat of your trousers. I was tired. I hope you don't think your old pants are more important than your wife?"

"Well," replied the hubby "There's places a man can go without his wife!"

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"Do you owe any back house rent?" asked the housing official "See here," said the farmer, "we may live out in the country, but we got all the modern conveniences."

## Poor Risk

A man went to an insurance office to apply for life insurance. The insurance agent inquired, "Do you drive a car?"

"No," replied the applicant.

"Do you fly?"

"No."

"Sorry," said the agent curtly, "but we no longer insure pedestrians."

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## A Shock

A motorist, who was picked up unconscious after a smash, opened his eyes as he was being carried into a nearby garage. He began to kick and struggle. When he was afterwards asked the reason, he explained that the first thing he saw was a "Shell" sign and "some fool was standing in front of the 'S'."

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## Escape

She was fat and over 40, but still kittenish. The young man she had cornered at the party was thinking hard for some excuse to escape.

At last he murmured: "Do you remember the youngster who used to tickle you under the chin at school?"

"Oh," she exclaimed gushingly, "so that's who you are!"

"No," said he, blandly. "That was my father."

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## Reason

A young student signed his name to a copy of the Declaration of Independence hanging in the hall of his Alma Mater. His parents, who had to pay \$5 for the defacement, were quite distressed until he explained his reason, "I read it all through (never saw another person do it in four years) and I agreed with all the points, so I decided to sign it."

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"I'd give \$10 for a little tin whistle."

"Are they so scarce now?"

"No, but this one I'm thinking of belongs to the boy downstairs."

by Stan Jennings

## "UNION MAID"—A Serial Story



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## For You, It's Taxes; for The Rich, It's 'Gimmicks'

New York (LPA) — "Gimmicks," and even "gimmicks within gimmicks," are being used by corporations and their top officials to "get around" income taxes, with the load shifted to your shoulders. Time magazine, conservative supporter of business, reports on dodges being used to boost the big boys' income while raising their taxes little or not at all.

Among the "gimmicks" it cites are "deferred salary and profit-sharing plans, under which payments are spread over a period of years. For instance, they may be paid after a man has retired and has a lower income to be taxed."

But, it continued: "There are even gimmicks within gimmicks. Under some conditions an executive can sell his profit-sharing contract back to the company, and pay only a capital gains tax on the proceeds." The capital gains tax is only 26%—much lower than the rate a high-salaried executive would pay on an ordinary salary raise.

Then, said the article, entitled

## Earnings at Peak, But So Is the Cost of Living

Washington (LPA) — Average hourly earnings of factory workers reached a record high of \$1.77 in mid-July, but the cost of living also hit an all-time high during the period and continues to rise.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics reported Aug. 24 that the \$1.77 represented a gain of 21 percent in hourly pay (including overtime and other premium pay) during the three years of the Korean War.

Workers in all industries shared in the increases during the period. Greatest gains, 23 to 26 percent, were in the defense-related ordinance, primary metals and instruments industries, which also had substantial employment expansion during the period. Smallest gains, 12½ to 15 percent, were in the apparel, textile, printing, publishing and tobacco industries.

Average hourly earnings were up 13 cents over July 1952, but 10 cents of this was gained in the last half of 1952. Average work-week in July was 40.4 hours, down .3 from June, and the average weekly pay was \$71.51, down slightly from June, but \$6.97 over July 1952.

The toils of law, what dark insidious men,  
How cumbersome added to perplex the truth,  
And lengthen simple justice into trade.

—Thomson.

"The Great Game of Gimmicks," there are "stock options" as "among the most favored forms of extra compensation." A favored executive is enabled to buy some of his company's stock at less than the market price, wait until the price goes still higher, then sell the shares and pay only a capital gains tax.

"Almost every company gives its top men special privileges which amount to extra compensation," the article says. "An aluminum company keeps a lodge in Tennessee, with a golf course, where its brass gets relaxation. Similarly, steel executives cruise the Great Lakes on ore boats which have been fitted out with sumptuous guest cabins and offer superb cuisine. Some oil company tankers have guest cabins almost as luxurious as anything on the Queen Mary.

"One big electrical company recently bought a fancy yacht on which its executives can entertain customers — and themselves. An Akron rubber company uses its Arizona experimental farm as a dude ranch for officials.

"A Detroit company offers a choice of two vacation spots: an apartment house in Florida, a resort hotel on a Michigan lake. Some Southern textile mills provide free housing, even free servants."

Corporations keep looking for more "ingenious tax gimmicks," Time says, but they may face a somewhat different situation "when the excess profits tax expires next January. Then many of the company-paid luxuries now winked at as 'business expenses' may suddenly look too expensive to be continued."

That's an admission that corporations gladly give their top bosses all sorts of expense luxuries so long as the cost comes out of the pockets of Uncle Sam.

But, with the Eisenhower "economy" administration failing to fulfill campaign promises to balance the budget and with defense costs still with us, Uncle Sam's pockets must be replenished from some where.

And wouldn't the corporations and their executives just love to continue saying on their taxes, while you absorb the loss by paying a tax on everything you buy!

**Hear Frank Edwards!**



**WORLD'S BIGGEST BUILDING BEE**—Thousands of volunteer workers, mostly skilled AFL building tradesmen, joined August 29 and 30 in building from scratch 111 new homes to replace those de-

stroyed by the June 8 tornado in Flint, Mich. Another 75 homes already started were completed. Here, the Ormel Soldan family gets a preview of what their home will look like. (LPA)

## 192 HOUSES IN 2 DAYS

## Labor's Skilled Hands, Warm Hearts Put Roofs Over Flint Tornado Victims

Flint, Mich. (LPA)—There were 193 new homes in tornado-stricken Beecher Township August 31 that weren't there two days earlier. And the lion's share of the credit belongs to volunteer union labor—though one could never figure that out from most of the commercial press and radio stories on the project.

Most of these reports—the notable exception was the New York Times—tagged such descriptions as "skilled craftsmen" or "professional construction workers" or "volunteer workers" on the 5500 volunteers who gathered Aug. 28 and 29 to rehouse victims of the big June 8 tornado.

The first two terms are newspaper jargon for AFL Building Tradesmen and the last was used to refer to members of other AFL and CIO unions and the rest of the volunteers who gave their labor.

The building tradesmen were recruited through the AFL Flint-Genesee County Building Trades Council which enthusiastically pledged its support when approached by Mayor Donald W. Riegle to take part in the "biggest building bee in the world." The Mayor got the suggestion for the project from a Catholic priest, the Rev. Henry W. Berkemeier.

Council President Jack Niles, a top member of the community planning committee for "Operation Tornado," was assisted by Secretary-Treasurer Clarence Witter and Luther Crain in enlisting skilled tradesmen from Lansing, Saginaw, Midland, Detroit and Battle Creek.

The Flint CIO Council also gave its support, donating \$1500 for accident insurance to cover all volunteer workers and joining in the task of soliciting workers. The council assigned three officers to full-time work on the project: William Schwartz of the Communications Workers and Walter Cogins and David Lambert of the Auto Workers. Charles Bower of Muskegon, CIO representative for the Michigan Welfare League, also came in to help.

"For most of the (tornado) victims," the New York Times said, "the free labor meant the difference between rebuilding and not rebuilding. . . . Officials estimated that 30,000 man-hours of free labor, valued at a minimum of \$160,000, had gone into the project."

All families signing up to have their homes rebuilt supplied their own materials, though local lumber firms stayed open the two days to make last-minute deliveries or handle special orders. Most firms allowed a special discount on materials.

The first morning of the building

bee the volunteers reported to registration tents marked "Plumbers," "Masons," "Carpenters," etc. Members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce acting as clerks assigned them to their jobs.

Most workers had been told to bring their own lunches, but for any who didn't, restaurants had made up box lunches from a ton each of meat and cheese and 20,000 cookies donated by food suppliers.

Building contractors supplied tools and supervisors and M. F. Borgman, a local contractor, took over-all charge of the project. Loudspeakers set up and manned by radio hams boomed out to let headquarters' tents know when a particular type of craftsman was needed at a certain home. Flint physicians and Red Cross workers were on hand to care for anyone who got injured.

A tool grinder set his equipment up in a field to file saws for the carpenters. Two Boy Scouts on bicycles brought blunted saws to him and returned them, sharpened, to the workers.

A crew of CIO Auto Workers from Muskegon, supervised by an AFL man, finished just a little behind an experienced crew of 16 Detroit construction workers which put up a house and roofed it between 8 a.m. and nightfall. Housewives, ministers, other church people, executives, salesmen, teachers and schoolboys also were among

the amateurs who took direction from skilled AFL craftsmen.

Furnaces were installed as the outside work on the homes was finished and building inspectors toured the project area making sure the new dwellings met all requirements.

As darkness called a halt to the first day's work, out-of-town volunteers who couldn't make it home for the night were given sleeping quarters in a school building. Open-air dancing, to the music of a band brought in by the volunteers, marked the end of the second day's work.

In the two days, working in 90 degree heat, the volunteers had built the outside frames of 111 houses from the foundation up. Outside work on the rest of the 193, previously started by their owners, was completed. Finishing work and inside touches were a job for the future.

Actually, this was not the first time union labor had come to the help of the tornado victims. Before the building bee, some 26 homes had been put up in the devastated area by AFL Building Tradesmen working on week-ends free of charge. One such home was that of Don Follen, a member of CIO Auto Workers Local 651, whose family was rehoused by members of unions affiliated with the Oakland County Building Trades Council.

## REALTY LOBBY ROWS WITH BANKERS OVER 'HARD MONEY'

When the Real Estate Lobby blasts bankers and the results of the Administration's "hard money" policy, that's something extraordinary.

The National Association of Home Builders, a big branch of the Lobby, in the past has denounced as "creeping socialism" any government attempt to help people get homes. Also, the NAHB went along with bankers and other mortgage money lenders in supporting the Administration's policy of boosting interest rates.

Yet now the NAHB, backed by the National Association of Real Estate Boards, a still bigger branch of the Lobby, makes these charges: The Administration must have been "dreaming" when it issued a recent statement saying that, because of the interest boosts, "private lenders are expected to supply more mortgage funds."

On the contrary, the NAHB says, bankers and mortgage firms are backing out even on their previous promises to lend money for home building. As a result, builders who had started homes and can't finance them are suffering serious losses.

Also, the NAHB says, money lenders are demanding bigger "dis-

counts," as large as 8 per cent. For example, they lend a builder only \$9200 when he signs a \$10,000 mortgage. That means an extra \$800 profit for the lender, but increases the cost for the home builder and buyer.

Because of the "tightened money market," the NAHB says, fewer homes are being built.

As a result of all this, the NAHB makes two recommendations: First, that builders should not rely on the promises of bankers unless the latter sign "firm written contracts."

Second, that, unless private money lenders deal more justly with builders, Congress should "step in and authorize direct lending by the government." That's what the NAHB and the Real Estate Lobby, in the past, have called "creeping socialism."



**WORSE THAN A GIVEAWAY—IT'S A "THROWAWAY"**. Because that's exactly what will happen to the long-dreamed, much needed Hells Canyon water and power project if the Eisenhower administration carries out present plans—it will never be built. Interior Secy. McKay is backing away from federal government plans to build a huge power dam, in favor of private utility company plans to build three smaller dams which will produce less water and power and destroy the real potential of the greatest remaining water development site in the U. S. Above is shown a photographic view of the Hells Canyon dam site, with the proposed dam sketched in by an artist.



# Human Tragedies Like These Lie Behind Those Bare Statistics

"Such-and-such number of deaths due to on-the-job accidents were reported last month."

With the number of deaths given and the month named, reports like the above often seen in this newspaper and others, but they seem so far away, and so purely statistical that it really doesn't register in our minds.

How did these deaths occur? In what line of work were the victims engaged? What else do we need to know to make these not just far-away, cold statistics, but rather what they really are—reports of tragic, and often needless, accidents that have snuffed out the lives of fellow workingmen?

Here is one answer, in the form of a summary of the causes of fatal accidents during a typical recent month as compiled by the Safety Division of the State Department of Employment.

In this particular month there were 65 on-the-job deaths reported. Here are brief accounts of the accidents which caused these deaths:

Three workers met their death as the result of electrocution. A tree trimmer, who was cutting branches away from a 12KV power line, was electrocuted when he

grabbed the energized line. An electric utility substation operator was killed when he neglected to open the isolating switches while cleaning electrical insulators and bus bars on a 15,000 volt circuit. A ranch worker was killed when he raised a 30-foot length of aluminum pipe into a high tension wire while attempting to dislodge a weasel from the pipe.

Three men died in accidents while loading or unloading logs from trucks, and a fourth, who was repairing a piece of equipment on a logging road, was crushed to death when an improperly secured log rolled from a passing truck. One of the men killed in logging operations, loosened the binders on a load before the unloading lines were in place and was killed by a falling log. The second worker entered the area under a suspended load to adjust a cheese block which had become dislodged. He was crushed between the swinging

log of the loader and a log on the deck. The third fatally injured loader jumped between the log trailer and the brow log in order to loosen a cheese block and a log slid down from the top of the pile, crushing him.

Two men and a woman were killed in explosions. The men, both welders, were killed in almost identical accidents. Each was welding on a gasoline storage tank when the heated metal ignited vapors inside the tank. The woman, a pellet press operator in an ordnance plant, was killed as she entered the pressroom to fill the hoppers. A spark ignited the explosive powder mixture in the room.

Two farm laborers who were working on a harvester were killed when a flywheel on the harvester flew off, striking them.

A painter who was working on the unprotected outer edge of a 13-foot swinging scaffold stepped off the end of the scaffold when he was called to lunch, and fell to the sidewalk below, fracturing his skull.

An attempted shortcut in climbing from a scaffold to the roof of a building under construction led to the death of a carpenter. He climbed up the whalers and grabbed a protruding 2x4 which broke under his weight. He fell 20 feet to the ground. A ladder from the scaffold to the roof was placed around the corner of the building, only a few steps away.

A crusher man in a sand and gravel plant was fatally injured when he reached into the hopper of a conveyor to remove a root without first shutting off the power. He fell across the unguarded conveyor and was thrown by the conveyor against the steel receiving chute.

A laborer, engaged in dismantling a fabricated steel structure, stood on a ladder inclined against the structure and cut the last supporting angle iron with a cutting torch. The 2,500-pound structure collapsed, pinning him underneath.

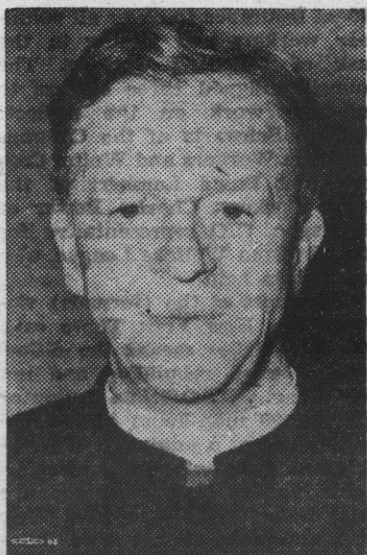
A woman moulder in a plastic parts plant was burned to death when a fire broke out in the moulding department.

An 18-year-old spray rig operator employed by a commercial spraying concern died as the result of parathion poisoning.

A police officer was shot through the heart in a pistol accident on a police target range.

## GOP May Set Clock Back 155 Years for Seamen

Washington (LPA)—The marine hospitals in which merchant seamen have been given medical care since 1798 are today in danger of being completely eliminated. Warning has been given that Budget Director Joseph M. Dodge is pressing Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, Secretary of the Department of Health, Education & Welfare, to submit a budget looking toward "termination of the free program of medical care and hospital care for merchant seamen."



**WORKERS' FRIEND**—Bishop Francis J. Haas, known as "big friend of the little guy," who died of a heart attack at his home in Grand Rapids, Mich.

# IKE'S REVIEW BOARD IS STATES-RIGHTS GIMMICK

By LANE KIRKLAND

The new commission now being set up by the President "to review and assess . . . the proper roles of the Federal, state and local governments" is like an iceberg in the stream of social progress.

There is more to it than meets the eye, and the more dangerous part lurks below the surface. For, beneath the

surface and behind all the fine words, there lies the same old big business-states' rights alliance which has—year in and year out—sought the destruction of the programs under review.

Those programs are important to every public-spirited citizen and essential to the daily welfare of millions. They include relief to the needy aged and disabled, unemployment compensation administration, hospital and school construction, public health, and other vital undertakings now financed largely through federal grants to the states.

## STEP TOWARD GOAL

The big money boys regard control of the commission as a giant step toward their goal—the removal of the Federal Government from this field and its abandonment to the states. Since most states would not maintain these welfare programs intact without federal participation, this would effectively deliver them into the hands of their executioners.

If appearances are any guide, this life-or-death issue is to be turned over to a rigged jury. Political representation on the commission is heavily weighted in a partisan direction, and the chairman, Clarence Manion, is a notorious apostle of federal impotence.

As a loud proponent of the Bricker Amendment, he has been a leading advocate of state encroachment upon the constitutional functions of the Federal Government, even into the field of foreign affairs.

A man who has done his level best to promote the destruction of our constitutional system of balanced powers, his appointment as chairman is one more case in which the hungry fox has been placed in charge of the people's hen house.

Crucial to the entire states' rights strategy is the highly propagandized myth that state government is somehow "closer to the people," more "constitutional" and more economical than is the Federal Government. If this were true, there might be less reason to fear a loaded commission—but, unfortunately, it is not.

## CONTROL LEGISLATURES

In many—if not most—state legislatures, democracy has become a sham, and state governments have become increasingly more remote from the majority of their citizens. An article in the August issue of Harper's magazine, entitled "Inflation in Your Ballot Box," clearly describes the manner in which big business and reactionary state political machines have teamed up to keep control of state legislatures in the hands of a small minority. By blocking reapportionment so as to deprive city-dwellers of fair representation, a stranglehold on state legislatures is kept in the hands of chambers of commerce and narrow rural courthouse cliques.

As a result, modern industrial societies are governed at the state level as though they were pastoral communities of farms, villages and resorts, where unemployment and slums are unknown and Stone Age concepts prevail. Far from fearing the Federal Government, wage earners all too often must look to the Federal Government as their only protection against the attacks, or the negligence, of state legislatures ruled by their bosses.

As for "constitutionalism"—not only have the states proved themselves utterly incapable of exercising the functions that properly belong to the Federal Government, but they have often flouted the specific terms of their own state constitutions.

As an example, most state constitutions require that legislative seats be reapportioned after every decennial census. Yet, only eight states have complied with this mandate since 1950. Sixteen have

not complied since 1940; ten not since 1930. Seven states have not reapportioned in half a century, despite continuing population shift from rural to urban areas.

## STATES OPERATE IN RED

Nor have the states anything to be proud of in the "economy" or "efficiency" of their financial operations. Total spending by the states has exceeded total state revenues consistently since 1949, and the majority of the states have operated in the red over this period. State debt has increased, percentage-wise, at a faster rate since World War II than has the federal debt—despite the fact that the Federal Government has poured billions of dollars each year into the states in various forms of aid.

This in itself is enough to show why the Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers have seized upon the Manion Commission, with drooling enthusiasm, as their baby. At present, the \$2.3 billion in annual federal grants is derived from general revenues, mainly through corporation and personal income taxes.

Left to the states, these grant-financed programs—if not abandoned altogether—would be paid for largely through higher state sales taxes. Thus the Manion Commission could serve to shift up to \$2.3 billion of the tax load from the rich to the poor.

Small wonder then that big business, which has been so successful in keeping state governments out of the hands of the people, should now be touting the Manion Commission as a way to get government "back to the people"—meaning their people, not yours.

As a cold disclaimer of a nation's responsibility toward its less fortunate citizens, the slogan "Leave it to the states" has become the modern counterpart of "Let them eat cake." As an active political policy, it has become a formula for reaction by stealth and guile—under a false cloak of constitutional virtue. This is the way that progress ends—not with a bang, but a slogan.

## Flashing Turn Signals Legal Warning Lights

Approved-type flashing turning signals on both private and commercial vehicles can be used as caution lights to warn approaching traffic when a vehicle is disabled and standing on or near a highway.

A new law which became effective Sept. 9 makes it legal to use flashing turn signals as a warning device when an automobile or truck is stalled or stopped in or near the path of traffic movement.

In the case of commercial vehicles, however, the blinking turn signals—at least two in front and two in the rear—are to be used between the time of the breakdown and the time it takes the driver to set up flares, lanterns, reflectors or warning lights at a distance of approximately 100 feet in advance of and to the rear of the truck.

The truck's turn signals may be kept on, but they cannot be used in place of the warning devices after a sufficient interval has elapsed for the driver to set them up in the required places. Private passenger vehicles, however, may use turn signals without employing other warning devices.

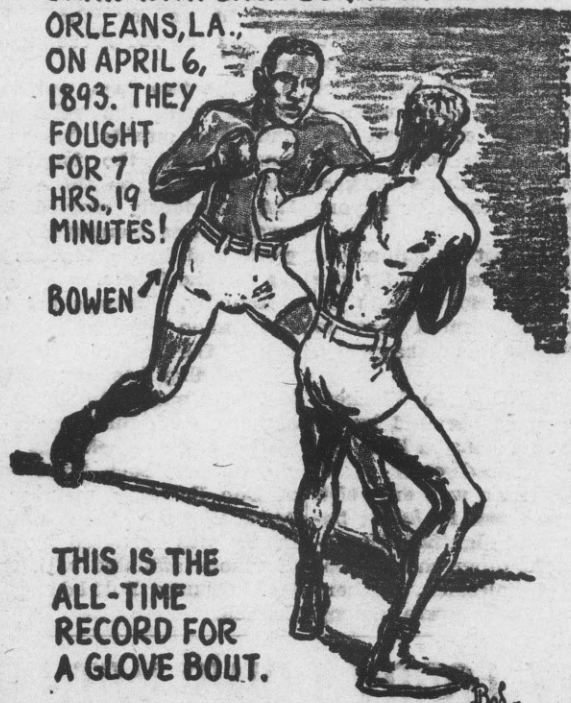
In driving through a strange city, stay in the middle lane when possible, and look ahead for direction markers telling you to turn right or left. Then move into the proper lane before turning.

## NO KIDDIN'

By CLEM BODDINGTON

### He Fought a 110-Round Draw

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## Price Control Off, Safeway Profits Up 120 Per Cent

New York (LPA)—Sales in Safeway Stores were 7.64 per cent higher in the 24 weeks ended June 13 than in the similar period in 1952. But net profits rose 120 per cent. Langan A. Warren, president, said it was due chiefly to the removal of government price controls.

Safeway has 1926 stores in the U.S. and 139 in Canada. Earnings per share were \$1.83 against 78 cents in the like period in 1952. Net profits (after all taxes and other charges) were \$6,192,232 against \$2,759,097 in 1952.

(The GOP-controlled 83d Congress refused to permit a government investigation of where the consumer dollar goes. Consumers are paying more than ever for food although the farmer's share of the consumer dollar keeps dropping. Average wholesale prices dropped four-tenths of 1 per cent in the week ended Sept. 1 as prices for farm products and processed foods fell sharply. The Dun & Bradstreet wholesale food price index for the same period fell 12 cents, sharpest break in almost four years. But the index was still 10.9 per cent above pre-W area.)

## Just 'Catching Up' on Wages Not Enough

Milwaukee, Wis. (LPA) — The AFL will be asked at its St. Louis convention to undertake a study of the standard of living, in the belief such a study would be of great value to all unions. The request will come in a resolution from the Building Service Employees, headed by William L. McFetridge.

McFetridge pointed out that labor, all too often, has had to limit its bargaining objectives to wage increases "aimed at letting the wage rate 'catch up'." But Labor cannot be content with simply 'catching up'. We must win for our members—and, in fact, for all American wage earners — a standard of living appropriate to the great wealth and resources of our nation," McFetridge added.

"It is, of course, difficult to define such a standard. Thus far the only attempts to do so have been limited to so-called 'budget' studies, such as those which resulted in the 'City Workers Family Budget,' the Heller budget, and the like. These budgets, we feel are inadequate because they attempt to define standards of living in purely monetary items. They tend to ignore or slight those aspects of living which cannot easily be measured in dollars. Moreover, they usually study living costs at a standard below the appropriate for the American family.

"An adequate study of the standard of living must consider certain intangible aspects of living—like the need for education, for rest and recreation, for job security. It must also consider some monetary items usually left out of the 'budget' studies—such as the need for retirement income. An adequate study must investigate all of the needs of the American family, whether they are 'natural' needs resulting from the physical and mental structure of the human body, or whether they are 'acquired' needs created by the highly productive society in which we live.

"We cannot, we believe, look to government, or to the universities, or to other private research agencies for this kind of a study. We must make it ourselves."

## \$7-Billion Spent on Ads, Mostly at Your Expense

New York (LPA) — Advertisers spent \$7,149,700,000 in 1952, according to Printers' Ink, a trade publication. This was 11.3 percent over 1951. Uncle Sam (and that's you), paid for it, for advertising is a "business expense," and so is deducted by corporations when they make out their income tax returns.

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**CARPENTERS 1279 (King City)**—Meets 1st and 3rd Fridays at King City Carpenters Hall, Pres., M. D. Williamson, Greenfield, phone 73-W; Fin. Sec., A. W. Reiger, 411 S. San Lorenzo Ave., phone 694-W; Bus. Agt., Jack Swart, Box 724, King City, Office, 225 Bassett St., King City, phone 197.

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**ELECTRICAL WORKERS 243**—Meets 1st Wednesday; Executive Board 3rd Wednesday; 117 Pajaro Street, Salinas. Pres., Frank Karp, 217 Quilla St., phone 2-1151; Rec. Sec., P. M. Lindeman, 246 Dennis St., phone 2-4225; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Mgr., Dial H. Miles, office, 117 Pajaro Street, phone 2-2886.

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**HOTEL-RESTAURANT EMPLOYEES AND BARTENDERS 355**—Meets 2nd Monday Women's City Club, 9 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. Pres., Wm. H. Eakin, 46 Barbara Place, phone 2-4465; Sec. and Bus. Mgr., A. J. Clark; Asst. Bus. Agt., Virgil C. Knight; office, Room 18, Glickburg Bldg., 6 W. Gabilan St., phone 6209.

**LABORERS 272**—Meets 2nd Monday at Salinas Labor Temple, 4th Monday at Soledad Foresters Hall, Pres., Carl G. Jones, Sec., J. F. Mattos, 102 Toro, phone 6777; Bus. Agt., Wray D. Empe, Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro, phone 6777.

**LATHERS 126**—Meets 3rd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Wm. Krane, Rt. 6, Bx. 513, Watsonville, ph. 1-8262; Sec. & B. A. Ronald Hodges, 612 Wilson Salinas ph. 2-2906.

**LAUNDRY WORKERS 258**—Meets 3rd Thursday at Salinas Labor Temple, at 7:30 p.m. Pres., Hazel Seewes, 1314 Second Ave.; Sec.-Treas., Grace MacRossie, 59 1st Ave.; Receiver, Lawrence Palacios, 2940 16th St., San Francisco. Phone MA 1-3336. Office, 117 Pajaro St., phone 6209.

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**OFFICE EMPLOYEES 94 (Union Offices)**—Meets on call. Headquarters 463 Porter Bldg., San Jose, phone Cypress 2-8393. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Jeannette Zoccoli.

**PAINTERS 1104**—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 117 Pajaro St., 7:30 p.m. Pres., Otto Sleeper, 235 E. San Luis, phone 2-2907; Rec. Sec., L. Wendelkin, 1130 1/2 Acosta, phone 2-6240; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., 417 Lincoln Office, Labor Temple, phone 8783.

**PLASTERERS 763**—Meets 2nd Wed., 4th Thurs., Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Ray T. Jones, 146 Pine, phone 5530; Rec. and B.A., Carl Smith, home phone 2-2565.

**PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS 503**—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, Salinas Moose Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., R. K. Mills; Rec. Sec., A. Bianchini; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., E. R. Arbuckle, Office, Labor Temple, phone 2-3517.

**POSTAL CARRIERS 1046**—Meets 3rd Wednesday, Woman's Civic Club, 8 p.m. Pres., John Ball, 636 Central, phone 2-2961.

**PRESSMEN 328 (Monterey Bay Area Printing Pressmen & Assns. Union)**—Meets 3rd Monday, 8 p.m., Salinas even months, Monterey odd months; Pres., Edward C. Bey, 205 Dodoro, phone 2-4428; Sec.-Treas., Robert F. Meders, 217 Maryl Dr., Salinas, phone 2-1192.

**RETAIL CLERKS 839**—Meets 2nd Wednesday, Women's City Club, 8 p.m. Pres., Lawrence Vestal, 406 Calif. St., phone 6624; Sec. and Bus. Agt., Garold F. Miller, 206 Alisal St., phone 2-3366; office phone 4938.

**ROOFERS 50**—Meets 2nd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Melvin Jones, 241 Margaret St., Salinas, Sec. and B. A., Fred O. Davis, 240 Plateau Ave., S. Cruz, phone 4330-R.

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**TEACHERS 1020**—Meets 3rd Monday Salinas, 7:30 p.m. Pres., John H. Lewis, 522 Crescent Way, phone 2-5262; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Thelma Fox, Apt. 33, Pajaro Circle, phone 2-3682.

**GENERAL TEAMSTERS, WAREHOUSEMEN AND HELPERS 890**—Meets 1st Thursday, Salinas Moose Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Kenneth Sinkey, 105 19th St., P. G.; Sec. and Bus. Mgr., Wm. G. Kenyon; Bus. Agt., Glen Wilkerson; Office, 274 E. Alisal, Salinas, phone 5743.

**TYPOGRAPHICAL 543**—Meets 3rd Monday, 8 p.m., alternating at Salinas and Watsonville. Pres., L. A. Spencer, Salinas; Sec.-Treas., A. C. Davis, 109 Prospect St., Watsonville, phone 4-3217.

## Schnitzler Warns Against Phony 'Slum Clearance'

Washington (LPA)—William F. Schnitzler, AFL secretary-treasurer, warned labor against the phony "slum clearance" program, in a Labor Day address over the NBC network September 4.

Since Congress killed the public housing program, he declared, a new kind of campaign has developed, calling for elimination of slums. "They are crying 'slum clearance' but not planning housing for those who are displaced from the slums. Don't permit your community to carry on a slum clearance program that does not also include public housing."

Pointing out that the nation will need 12.5 million new homes in the next six years, he said "We would like to see private enterprise build these needed homes, but the record is against them. The only practical answer is to restore the public housing program."

## State AFL Brands DeVoe Reynolds Unfair

(State Fed. Release)  
The DeVoe Reynolds Company (Bishop-Conklin), Los Angeles, has been placed on the official "We Do Not Patronize" list of the California State Federation of Labor by the Executive Council of the State AFL.

The Executive Council action was taken at the request of the Painters District Council of Southern California which informed the Federation that the paint company has failed to carry out an understanding reached earlier which adjusted a long standing dispute. It was on the basis of that understanding that the Executive Council had filed a resolution to place DeVoe Reynolds on the unfair list in December, 1952 when the matter was then under consideration.

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**BARTENDERS 493**—Meets at 315 Alvarado St., 1st Wednesday, 8:30 p.m., 3rd Wednesday, 2:30 p.m. Pres., Robt. S. Harrington, Box 539, Pacific Grove, phone 2-4745; Sec. and Bus. Agt., Royal E. Hallmark, Office at 315 Alvarado St., Monterey, phone 5-6734.

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**CALIF. BUILDING & CONSTR. TRADES COUNCIL**—Pres., Otto E. Nevar, Gen. Sec., James F. Ward, 1095 Market St., San Francisco; Monterey vice-pres., L. T. Long, 117 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove. Office phone Monterey 5-6744.

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**ELECTRICAL WORKERS 1072**—Meets 2nd Monday 691 Lighthouse, 7:30 p.m.; Pres., P. J. Tracey, 441 Pine St., Pacific Grove, Fin. Sec., Gordon Howe, Pacific Street, Monterey, phone 5-4443; Rec. Sec., John DeGroot, 410 Clay St., Monterey; Bus. Agt. LeRoy Hasty, Forest & Morse, Pacific Grove, phone 5-4632; Office Forest & Morse St., phone 5-4632.

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**FISH CANNERY WORKERS**—Meets on call at headquarters. Pres., Joe Perry Jr., Phoenix Ave., Seaside, phone 2-5470; Sec., Roy Humbrecht, 122 18th, Pacific Grove, phone 2-5164; Bus. Agt., Lester A. Caveny, 922 Cypress Seaside, phone 2-4023. Headquarters, 320 Hoffman, phone 2-4571.

**FISHERMEN (Seine and Line)**—Meets monthly on full moon at 2 p.m. at Union Hall, Pres., Michael Youden; Sec.-Treas., Thomas P. Flores, 628 Lilly St.; Bus. Agt., John Crivello, 927 Franklin St. Office and hall, 233 Alvarado St., phone 5-3126.

**LABORERS 690**—Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday, 320 Hoffman, 8 p.m. Pres., Perry M. Luce, 1251 David; Sec. and Bus. Agt., George E. Jenkins, Box 142, Monterey; office, 320 Hoffman, phone 2-8456.

**LATHERS 122**—Meets 3rd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Wm. Krane, Rt. 6, Bx. 512, Watsonville, ph. 1-8262; Sec. and B. A. Ronald Hodges, Wilson Salinas, ph. 2-2906.

**MOTOR COACH EMPLOYEES 192**—Meets 3rd Friday, 1 p.m. and 4 p.m., Bartenders Hall, Pres., Emmet J. Wood, 230 Bentley Pacific Groves, phone 5-5669; Sec., Doris Lake.

**MUSICIANS 616**—Meets 1st Sunday, 2 p.m., 135 W. Franklin. Pres., Louis B. Walker, 589 Ocean View, Pacific Grove, phone 2-1577; Sec., Don B. Forster, office, 135 W. Franklin, phone 5-6166; Bus. Agt., Fred Storer, 345 Alexander, Salinas, phone 2-0579.

**PAINTERS 272**—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday, 820 Hoffman St., Monterey, 8 p.m. Pres., Jack Snannon; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Fred E. Ask, 230 Monterey, phone 5-5864; office, 320 Hoffman St., phone 5-6744.

**PLASTERERS & CEMENT MASONS 337**—Meets 1st Friday, 8 p.m., 320 Hoffman St. Pres., Otto Radley; Sec. and Bus. Agt., T. B. Ellis, 736 Noche Buena, Seaside, phone 2-1703; office, 320 Hoffman, phone 5-6744.

**PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS 62**—Meets 2nd and 4th Fridays, Carpenters Hall, 778 Hawthorne, 8 p.m. Pres., Gerald L. Walton, 334 Mapple Ave., phone 2-6719; Rec. Sec., Paul P. Hazdovac, P. O. Box 11, Carmel; Sec.-Bus. Agt., John Grisin, office 778 Hawthorne St., Monterey, phone 2-7580.

**POST OFFICE CLERKS 1292**—Meets 1st Thursday of month, Rm. 6, P.O. Bldg., 8:30 p.m. Pres., David "Bud" Dougherty, 404 Lighthouse, P. G.; phone 2-5413; Sec. and B.A., Dick Miller, 202 Via Del Rey, phone 5-6292; mail to Local 1292, Post Office, Monterey.

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**TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION 759**—Meets 3rd Friday Bartenders Hall, 7:30 p.m. Pres., Cecil D. Starnes, 1071 Cass St., ph. 2-6156; Sec., A. B. Rotter, 412 La Vina, ph. 5-5406.

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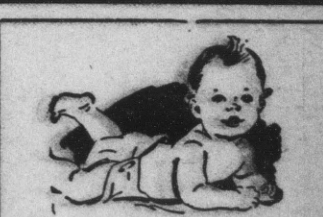
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# Labor News

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1953

## Congressman Says:

### Union Newspapers Can Cancel Press Monopoly

Congressman George Rhodes (D, Pa.) urged union members this week to strengthen their local labor papers. Rhodes founded The New Era, a vigorous labor paper published weekly at Reading, Pa., calling the labor press one of the best answers to anti-labor daily papers, Rhodes said:

Organized workers were a driving force which contributed much in winning the social gains of the past generation.

Today apathy and indifference of workers are contributing to the backward trend which threatens to destroy hard-won social gains.

Of course, there are other factors which contribute to the reactionary trend. The nation's daily press is a weapon of reaction.

But organized workers, like the general public, cannot escape their share of the responsibility for the reactionary trend which grips the nation.

What is happening to the American worker that he can be so unconcerned in this most crucial period in all our history?

For the past 10 years the tide of

reaction has been rising. As yet, no force has been able to stop it.

During that time Congress has been ruled by a coalition of conservative Republicans and Democrats. There is little change today except that reactionaries now have the executive department of government in addition to the legislative.

Big business has the money to buy good talent to write its propaganda. It spends millions of dollars annually to operate its political front organizations.

To discredit unions and their leaders, the press frequently uses such words as "labor monopolies" and "union bosses."

The objective is to create dissension, suspicion and discord in labor unions to weaken them as an economic and political force.

The propagandists of the one-party press and the big business totalitarian fronts have pictured liberalism as something akin to communism.

They have caused many good people to believe that there is some connection between liberalism, unionism, crime and corruption.

Labor leaders are aware of the reactionary threat and challenge. But how can the average unionist be aroused before it is too late?

Here is a job for the labor press. Good labor editors and publications have increased remarkably in recent years.

But there is a serious need for many more local labor papers and for editorial help.

A local labor paper can provide the means for uniting, informing and organizing workers at the grass roots.

In some communities such publications are the only effective opposition to the politicians of the one-party press.

Every union member should pledge his full support in building or strengthening the local labor press in every possible way.

The labor press is his weapon with which to reverse the backward trend.

## Armstrong Takes Labor Day Trip

Robert Armstrong, secretary-business agent of Monterey Hotel & Restaurant Employees Union 483, spent the Labor Day holidays in the High Sierras.

He and Mrs. Armstrong traveled to Fresno first, then through Yosemite up to Topaz Lake in Nevada, returning on Tuesday.

## Noted Monterey Musician Dies

Jose Flores, well known orchestra leader in the Monterey area, died suddenly Friday. Recently he had been leading the union orchestra at Hotel San Carlos.

His wife, Wanda Flores, is a member of Hotel-Restaurant Employees Union 483.

## Unionist Lectures In South America

Madison, Wis. (LPA)—Hilton E. Hann, on the education staff of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters & Butcher Workmen, and executive secretary of the Madison Workers Education Bureau, is leaving for a three-month lecture tour of Chile, Argentina, Brazil and Panama, under the sponsorship of the international educational exchange program of the State Department.

## Wats. Council Hails Return Of Carpenters

First council in this area to meet following official announcement of the return of the Carpenters Union to the A. F. of L., the Watsonville Central Labor Council last Wednesday devoted some time to greeting delegates from Carpenters Local 771.

Actually, the delegates had been participating in council functions despite withdrawal of the international union, since no official word of the withdrawal had been received, Council Secretary Hazel K. Shireman explained.

The council did get a telegram, however, of the carpenters' return, as did all labor councils, the telegram reading:

"Conference held today, Tuesday, in Washington between President Meany, Secretary-treasurer Schnitzler and executive council members Bates, Doherty and Tracy; and President Hutcheson, Vice Pres. Stevenson, Executive Board Members Wm. Blair, Chas. Johnson and Raleigh Rajoppi, representing the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, resulting in decision of United Brotherhood of Carpenters to continue their membership in the American Federation of Labor. This represents official notification to you that Carpenters are today in good standing membership in the A. F. of L."

The University of California has perfected a fast, practical method of turning city garbage into compost useful in increasing soil fertility.

## Promise Fulfilled: Rayburn Charges Money Harder to Get Under GOP

The Democratic leader of the House of Representatives, Sam Rayburn of Texas, charged that one promise the Eisenhower Administration fulfilled during the first session of the 83d Congress was to make money harder.

"They have made it harder to get," Rayburn said. "They increased interest rates all along the line. Everybody's budget has been increased by higher interest rates."

"Republicans have made it more difficult and more costly for states, cities, and counties to raise money for sorely-needed public improvements."

"In one bond issue, the Republicans put upon the backs of individuals as well as the Federal and local governments, a new burden of higher interest rates for years to come."

"They raised interest rates on the little fellow, the home-buyer and the farmer. But the big bankers and financiers are doing well."

The Texan, who has served in the House for 40 years, asserted that all but two main bills passed by Congress were merely extensions of policies and laws initiated by Democratic Congresses. These two, he declared, were the submerged lands legislation, which gave states ownership of oil lying beneath the marginal seas, and the measure to admit 214,000 additional immigrants.

The veteran legislator said that Democrats, although "credited with supporting President Eisenhower's legislative program," had not been voting for or against the President, but for "national defense and American foreign policy as we achieve victory."

## Salinas Carp. Is Found Dead

Johan Leonard Helle, union carpenter since 1936 and working in and out of Salinas Local 925 for the past few years, was found dead near his Spreckels home last week.

Brother Helle was a native of Finland and was 63 years of age. He first joined the union in New York. His wife, Mrs. Martha Helle, and a daughter living in San Francisco are survivors.

## Aged Monterey Carpenter Dies

Thomas Butler, member of Carpenters Union 1323 since 1934, and well known worker on Cannery Row in Monterey, died September 3, in a Salinas Hospital. He was 77.

Bro. Butler left no known survivors, the union reported. Funeral services were held in Monterey with union officials assisting. He was a native of Illinois.

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**LABOR TROUBLE SHOOTERS**—Cyrus Ching, right, chairman of the newlyformed committee to help settle labor disputes involving Atomic Energy Commission installations, talks with Fr. Leo C. Brown of St. Louis, a member of the group, at the committee's first meeting in Washington. Ching was formerly chairman of the Federal Mediation Service.